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Dia de los Muertos

Maria Arbelaez, a UNO history professor, explains the tradition of building elaborate alters for the holiday Thursday at the Dia de los Muertos celebration in the art gallery of the Fine Arts Building.
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Regents approve renovations, dual enrollment programs

Board of Regents

SCOTT STEWART
NEWS EDITOR

The University of Nebraska regents earmarked \$9 million in utilities renovations and approved UNO's dual enrollment program during its final meeting of the year.

Using funds from Legislative Bill 605, the regents voted to approve \$9 million towards the renewal of the UNO utilities infrastructure as well as approving the hiring of the architectural firm HDR for design services for the Criss Library. Legislative Bill 605 provides funding for improvements to the university's infrastructure, including projects on all four campuses.

"On behalf of the students, I'm very excited that we're moving forward," Student Regent Steve Massara said.

Massara added that the regents were also making progress in the renovation of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service, which is scheduled for completion in 2009.

The utility renewal calls for improvements to several campus utility systems, including the installation of a fire sprinkler system in part of Allwine Hall, the improvement of storm water drainage on the Dodge Street campus as well as the replacement of steam boilers and water chillers in the Central Utilities Plant.

The regents approved UNO's PreK-16 initiative, making permanent a pilot program begun in 2003 to encourage high school students to earn college credit for work done in their Advance Placement classes.

"This dual enrollment is just a fantastic program

we have at the university," Massara said, noting he had completed AP coursework but did not benefit from the dual enrollment pilot.

Prior to the board approving the initiative, Coordinator Steve Bullock gave a short presentation on the pilot program's success to the Academic Affairs Committee. Bullock called for the university to build "an AP culture," stressing the quality of the programs and the positive impact on recruitment it might have for UNO.

"This is not a rubber-stamp process," Bullock said, noting that not every AP course at every school is approved by the program.

Also on the regent's agenda was a report on the internal audit being conducted in relation to the UNO athletic department, which suffered controversy this summer following revelations that former Vice Chancellor Jim Buck mishandled athletic booster funds and that the department had been \$1 million short in funding for the last couple years.

The report includes recommendations by Michael Justus, assistant vice president and director of internal audit. Some of these recommendations include the creation of a whistleblower hotline, reconsideration of tax reporting and the revision of reporting policies.

"As a member of the board, I was still confused about how it was presented to the board," Massara said.

Massara went on to say that he thought the report was still preliminary, saying he expects to find out more in the coming weeks.

"I think it's moving in the right direction," Massara added.

Booster pledges \$1 million gift to ailing athletic department

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SPORTS EDITOR

A booster who was instrumental in the development of private support for the UNO athletic department has pledged \$1 million to help the department overcome its financial problems.

The gift from Robert Kruger and his wife, Marcia, was announced at the UNO Hall of Fame Banquet Wednesday night.

"I think it's great," said NU President James B. Milliken. "I am delighted the Krugers have stepped up to do this."

Kruger, who was a co-founder of the Maverick Club in 1976, said the donation was something he had been planning to do for a while.

"I'm interested in Omaha," Kruger

said. "Omaha was very good to me and I wanted to give something back, and this was something that I'd helped get going and I wanted to keep it going. I am a strong believer [in] the University of Nebraska at Omaha."

UNO Athletic Director David Herbster said that although the department had known of the pledge for some time, the banquet was the perfect time to announce it because former Athletic Director Don Leahy was being honored as Man of the Year. It was Leahy who, more than 30 years ago, first got Kruger involved with UNO athletics.

Most importantly, Herbster said, the gift was a welcome sign of support after six difficult months in the program

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President defends appropriateness of spending-cap e-mails to students

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NEWS EDITOR

University of Nebraska President James B. Milliken has recently defended two e-mails he sent to NU students over the last couple weeks regarding the impact of a proposed state spending lid.

Milliken sent two e-mails to students, which at UNO were received by Gateway staff members at 3:04 p.m. on Oct. 25 and 4:23 p.m. on Nov. 2 respectively. The first e-mail encouraged students to visit nebraska.edu/423, where students would find a five-page issue brief on the impact that the state spending cap would have on the university.

"Our budget office has analyzed the potential impact of Initiative 423 on the University of Nebraska and on projected

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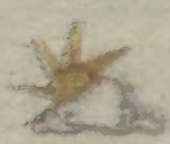


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Cody Farrens, president of the College Democrats, speaks out against Initiative 423 during the Pi Kappa Alpha press conference on Nov. 1.

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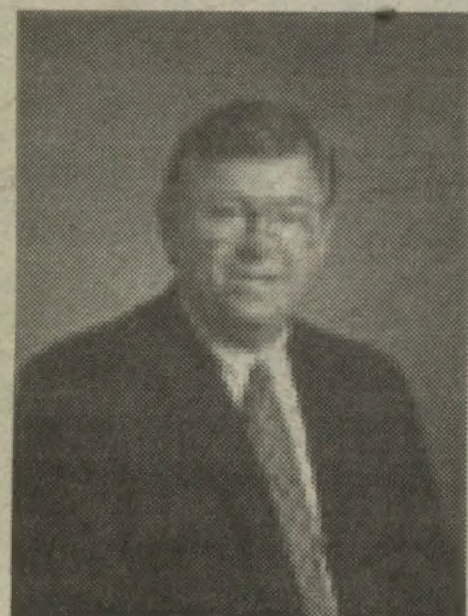
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Q&A with Board of Regents Candidate

TAYLOR MULLER
ASST. NEWS/SPORTS EDITOR

Jim McClurg



Jim McClurg
to the same questions.

Jim McClurg is the incumbent for the Board of Regents, district five, which includes much of Southeastern Nebraska. His opponent was offered the opportunity to respond separately

of the challenges of the leadership of the university and Board of Regents is to do this with wisdom and care. But I see no reason to not do this in any other way except to create a great total system to meet the expectations and needs of Nebraskans.

There has been a lot of talk about improving "transparency and accountability" across the entire NU system. Specifically, how do you plan to improve the public accountability and openness of the university?

First, I would say that the behavior needs to have consequences. I think that in the case of some examples of less-than-appropriate practices at UNO; there have been a couple people who are no longer in positions, and that's an example of consequences. That is an event that helps support a culture of accountability and discipline. We operate with the public's money and the tuition of our students, and accountability and discipline are absolute requirements. I believe a combination of continually improved practices, a culture that is daily-lived and executed by leadership and everyone throughout the organization and, once again, behavior having consequences is the way we continue to meet the expectations of the state and the people that we will be responsible with their resources.

What role do you believe the Board of Regents should have when it comes to embryonic stem cell research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center?

The board is responsible for setting

policy on issues like this, and I support the policy position we are in; that is, we will abide by the federal guidelines so we qualify for federal research money.

Do you believe the current level of student input on administrative decisions is sufficient? How might student involvement in university decisions be increased?

It's not like a project that has a beginning, middle or end. It's a process like so many government issues, which has to be constantly tended, so it has to start at the level of the students and their leadership and that campus-level interaction with campus leadership. Then at the next level it's about the elected leadership of students serving on our Board of Regents, and the third level is every member of the Board of Regents. Their contact information is public and the students are as much constituents as taxpayers are. I would hope that they interact and both sides are obligated to encourage this and take each others' comments to heart. I would say that in my experience the process that the student government use to elect leadership works. The people that the campuses elect to serve the students on the Board of Regents bring great value to board deliberations and interacting with them is one of the rewards of being a member of the Board of Regents. In order to effectively serve on the board and enjoy the board, I believe you need to be passionate about education and the opportunity it brings, and few things remind me more about that than interacting with students.



photo by Patrick Doty

Phlebotomist Jenelle Musselman prepares pre-nursing freshman Erica Nadeau to donate blood Thursday at the student government-sponsored Red Cross blood drive.

SG-UNO blood drive exceeds usable unit goal

PATRICK DOTY
ASST. PHOTO EDITOR & LINE EDITOR

The Omaha Red Cross was in full force at UNO Thursday during the student government-sponsored blood drive in the Nebraska Room of the Milo Bail Student Center.

The drive, held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., was the first at UNO since October of last year, said Kate Sullivan, donor recruitment representative for the Red Cross.

Before Thursday, 58 people had been scheduled to donate blood. With walk-ins, the total increased to 80 donors. The minimum productive unit goal

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Editors Note

Jim McClurg's opponent Robert Prokop did not respond to telephone requests for an interview.

News You Can Use

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UNO to host archaeology conference

As part of the Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference, two free keynote lectures will be held. Researchers from all over the world will meet to present and discuss their research with the dig near Bethsaida, near the north shore of the Sea of Galilee.

The first keynote speech, "Between the Temple Mount and the Holy Sepulche - Recent Archaeological Discoveries in Jerusalem," will be presented by Gideon Avni. This presentation will be held in the Alumni Center on Thursday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

* Rami Arav will also give a presentation on "A Milestone: 20 Years of Excavations at Bethsaida." This will be held on Friday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center.

Peace Corps reps to visit UNO

A Peace Corps volunteer and recruiter will be available to speak with interested students on Nov. 9 and Nov. 10. Two events held and the details of each are as follows:

City of Omaha Peace Corps

Information Meeting

Thursday, Nov. 9, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
W. Dale Clark (Main) Library, rooms 2 and 3

Peace Corps Information at UNO
Thursday and Friday, Nov. 9-10
10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Milo Bail Student Center south entrance

Nov 13-17 marks International Education Week

There were more than 1,300 international students that studied at UNO this past year. Students came to Nebraska from places such as India, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, Zambia and other countries. The students represented a total of 116 different countries.

To stress the importance of International Education, UNO is celebrating International Education Week, Nov. 13 to 17, with many events. The events are as follows:

Nov. 8-17

Photo Contest and Exhibit
Criss Library

Monday, Nov. 13

International Bake Sale
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Milo Bail Student Center south entrance
Bethsaida Exhibit Tours

9 a.m. to noon and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Arts and Sciences Hall, room 343
Study Abroad Displays
10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Milo Bail Student Center, south entrance

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Cafe Internationale Open House
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Arts and Sciences Hall, room 241
International Career Seminar:
Preparing for Global Business and International Careers
1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Roskens Hall, room 206

Wednesday, Nov. 15

International Education Week Luncheon

Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Milo Bail Student Center Dodge Room
This is an invitation-only event.
Bethsaida Exhibit Tours
9 a.m. to noon and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Arts and Sciences Hall, room 343

Thursday, Nov. 16

Study Abroad Displays
10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Milo Bail Student Center south entrance

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Annual Day of the Dead lively event for the living

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The Office of Latino/Latin American Studies hosted its fourth annual Day of the Dead celebration at the Weber Fine Arts Building Thursday afternoon.

The celebration included an altar, Day of the Dead bread and traditional Mexican hot chocolate. During the celebration history professor Maria Arbelaez gave presentations on the history and traditions of Day of the Dead.

"I'm very happy to teach about diversity [and] culture so we can learn about each other."

OLLAS began celebrating the Day of the Dead four years ago. Back then the altar was only a window display but as the event grew OLLAS was able to move their celebration the Art Gallery in the Weber

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for this drive was 70 units. However, although 80 people showed up to donate, this does not mean 80 "productive units" were gathered.

"We have some very strict requirements," Sullivan said. "Sometimes people are deferred because they were overseas, or their iron level is too low today, or maybe they're taking an antibiotic."

Sullivan also said some donors are not able to fill the entire bag, making the unit unusable. At Thursday's drive, six donors were unable to supply enough blood, and nine were deferred.

Two of the machines were "double red cell machines." The blood drawn from these machines count for two units each time by collecting the blood and separating it as it is drawn, Sullivan said.

With the 15 donors that either did not qualify or did not have sufficient blood count, and the 10 units gathered from the double red cell machine, the final count of usable units came to 75. This beat the goal by five units and the number of units gathered last October by six, according to Sullivan.

While some UNO students, like sophomore Doug Briese, were donating blood just to "help out," others had additional motivation.

"I'm majoring in pre-nursing," said freshman Erica Nadeau. "I'm interested in seeing how the whole process is done."

If you missed this opportunity to give blood, the Red Cross will be back at UNO in February and April, Sullivan said. For more information, call the Red Cross at 341-2723.

Board of Regents decide professor's fate

SCOTT STEWART
NEWS EDITOR

The Board of Regents voted Friday to deny a special appointment to Pamela Owens, a former UNO assistant professor who alleged her academic freedom was violated in the decision not to award her a reappointment for this academic year.

The regents' decision to concur with the findings of Regent Kent Schroeder was made during closed session at the end of their regularly scheduled Nov. 3 meeting in Lincoln. A statement on it was distributed while the regents unanimously voted to approve Schroeder's conclusions upon returning from closed session.

Schroeder, an attorney and regent since 1998, was assigned to review the decision of UNO's Academic Freedom and Tenure committee, which held a hearing from July 31 to Aug. 3 to consider Owens' complaint. The committee's recommendations were not immediately made public, because under its procedures, the university administration was allowed an unspecified amount of time to consider the complaint, according to the committee's chair James Carroll.

Owens, her attorney Mark Weinberg and Bonnie O'Connell addressed the board during its open forum period. Among other statements, Owens accused the university of "cronyism," calling for its investigation. She also cited the recent resignation of former Chancellor Nancy Belck, one of the 17 respondents in Owens' complaint, as calling the integrity of the decision into question.

O'Connell read a statement by the American Association of University Professors on the potential dangers of considering a candidate's collegiality as distinct from teaching, scholarship and service in reappointment and tenure decisions.

Weinberg asked the board for a "reconsideration of Owens' case," voicing his concerns over the "confidential items in Exhibit 32," which was cited in the university's decision to not award Owens a special appointment for the 2006-07 academic year.

"The [Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee] conclusion that Dr. Owens' academic freedom was abridged by Exhibit 32 is clearly erroneous," the regent's decision stated. "The entire contents of Exhibit 32 was a legitimate expression of concern about the acceptability of Dr. Owens' pedagogical style and philosophy. Accordingly, the Board of Regents does not accept the AFTC's proposed remedy of granting Dr. Owens' a Special Appointment ... and such appointment will not be granted."

NU President James B. Milliken declined to comment on the decision. Owens and Weinberg left the meeting after the open forum and were unavailable for comment.

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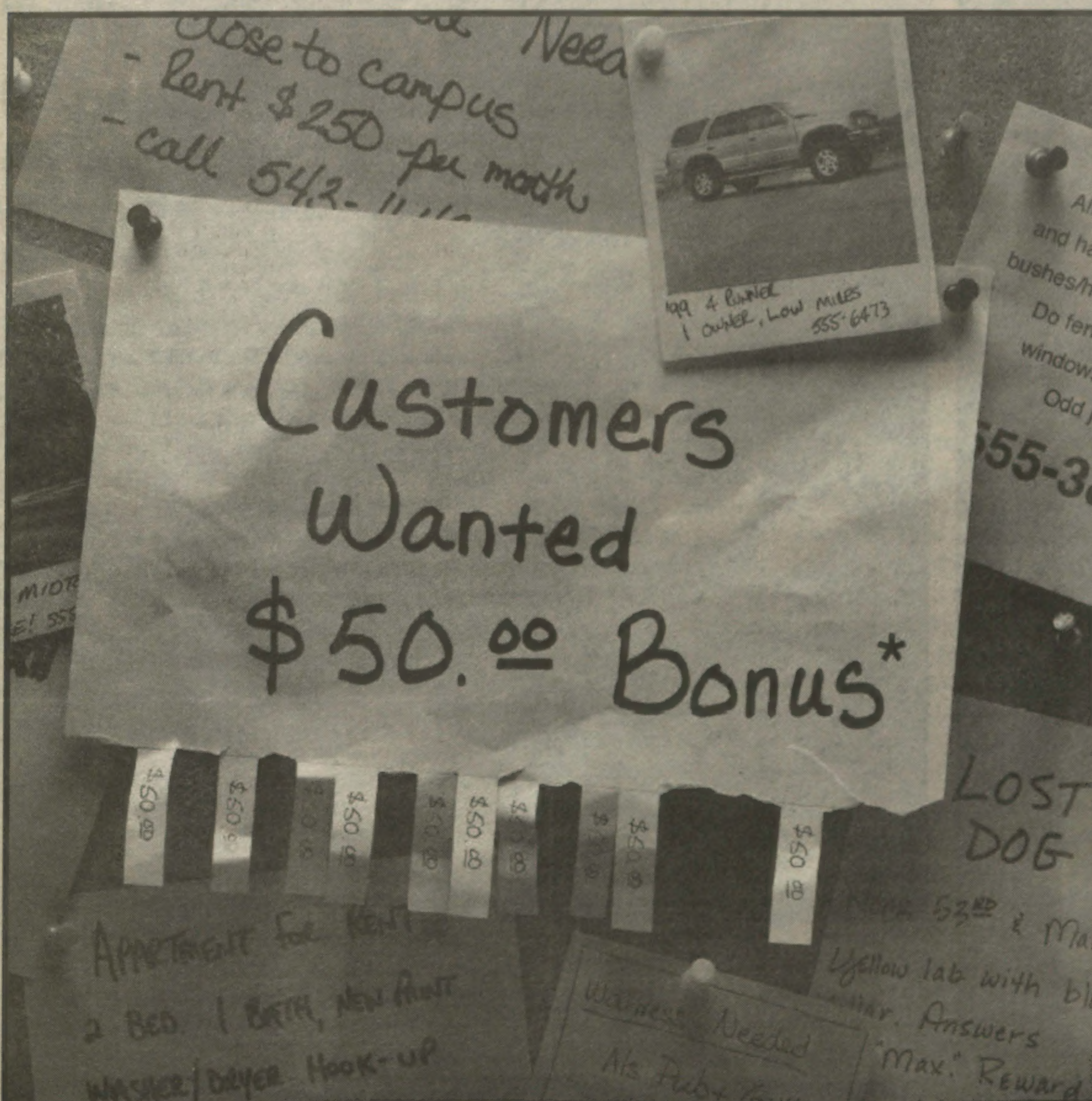
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Grant provides UNO, state with two-day meth treatment conference

TAYLOR MULLER
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UNO's Substance Abuse Training Initiative group held a conference on methamphetamine rehabilitation Thursday. The event was funded by a grant from the Alegent Health Community Benefit Trust.

The two-day conference, entitled "Refining Treatment Strategies: Laying the Foundation for Successful Meth Treatment," focused on maximizing the limited rehabilitation resources that Nebraska currently has. Speakers included Kermit Brashear, the chair of the Community Corrections Council, as well as Sam Minsky, the supervisor of the Matrix Institute in Los Angeles. It was held in the Scott Conference Center, located on South Campus.

SATI was awarded the grant after they released a study last May on the rehabilitation of meth users within Nebraska. The study found that while meth availability in Nebraska is expected to decline over the next few years, there was an even greater need for rehabilitation centers and funding.

"One of the many findings [in] our study was that meth users suffered from a treatment shortage," said Kennedy. "There are only 31 providers within Nebraska."

Hank Robinson, director of UNO's Juvenile Justice Institute, said the conference was different in that it focused on rehabilitation instead of law enforcement's view, or the seriousness of meth.

"I don't think there are very many focused on rehab," said Robinson. "We've been getting a lot of comments."

Those attending the conference were mainly treatment providers looking to learn more about meth rehabilitation.

"There's been an increase of research in the last few years," said Jim Poppert. "The information's all there, just need to work through it."

The "Matrix Model" was met with some confusion by some, due to different backgrounds in studies.



photo by Patrick Doty

More than 200 people attended the substance abuse training initiative group last Thursday and Friday. The question and answer session was held at the conference to allow the attendees to get advice from professionals.

"I'm not sure I quite understand what it is," said Larry Wilson, a retired mental health professional. "The only application for it is mostly in psychiatric settings. What we need to do is work within the correctional facilities, in that sort of controlled setting."

Minsky explained that the Matrix Model is an evidence-based model for outpatient rehabilitation that used specific treatment tools. These included motivational

interviewing and contingency management, which obtained better recovery rates with meth addicts.

The grant also funds an in-depth training session on rehabilitation to be held this spring.

Robinson said the event had a great turnout, with more than 200 attendees.

"We actually had to shut off registration," said Robinson. "I had to turn away 50 or 60 [people]."

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Just how diverse is UNO? Students, faculty sound off

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SENIOR STAFF WRITER

UNO feels pretty diverse to sophomore Amy Maxwell. Perhaps this isn't surprising, considering she grew up in a small Kansas town she described as a "hick town."

In fact, diversity rates among the students and faculty at UNO are steadily increasing, according to the 2005-2006 Student Profile. The number of female and minority faculty members has increased by nearly 60 percent over the past 12 years. Females and minorities now make up 52.5 percent of the full-time staff, compared with 36.8 percent in 1994. And 15 percent of the students at UNO are minority or international students.

Linda Mannering, director of the Office of Institutional Research, said women are often included when referencing minorities because they are an underrepresented group in higher education.

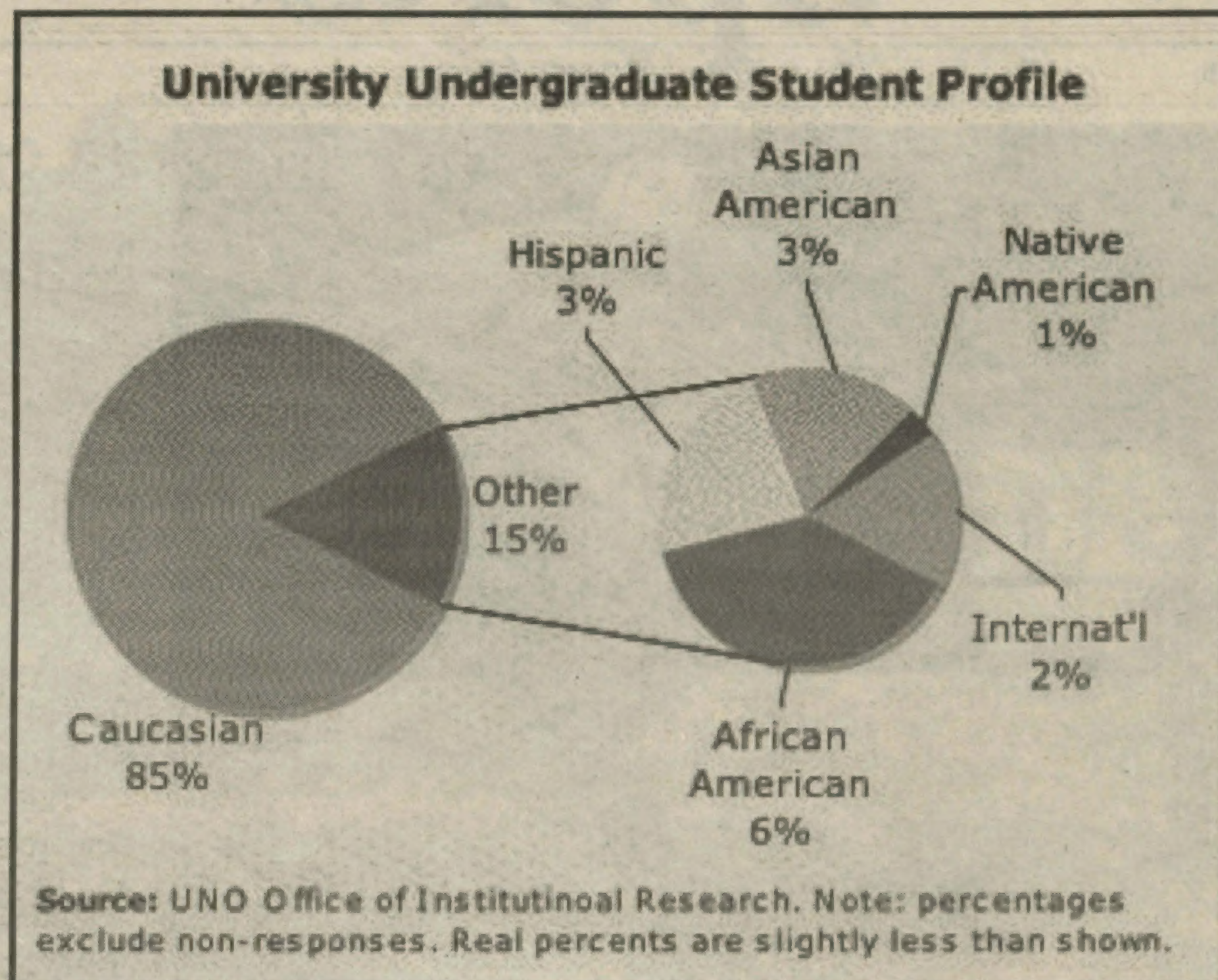
"We have actively recruited females as we have minorities," she said.

Mannering said a new development on the UNO Web site in about two weeks will feature the Institutional Profile. The profile will show the breakdown of faculty members by gender and ethnicity over the past 12 years.

"The new site will show our progress toward campus strategic goals," Mannering said.

David Cicotello, director of New Student Enrollment Services, said UNO rates its levels of diversity by comparing itself to similar schools. This way, he said, we are able to see how we rate directly against our peers.

"It wouldn't be fair to rate us against a school like UNL," Cicotello said. "You want to compare apples to apples, not apples to oranges. The most reasonable way



graphic by Scott Stewart

to make comparisons is to find others like you."

Cicotello said in order to compare accurately, UNO has an established peer group, determined by the Board of Regents. The group of UNO peers has been the same since 1996, and includes 10 universities. These include Cleveland State University, the University of Northern Iowa, Wichita State University and the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Freshman Zaid Binghimal said he thinks UNO is very diverse. Binghimal moved to the United States about nine months ago from Saudi Arabia, and said he constantly notices students from different countries as he walks around campus.

"You're learning about my culture, and I'm learning about your culture," he said. "It's a good deal."

However, not all students feel the diversity rates at UNO are sufficient. Senior Scott Lathrop said he doesn't have many minorities in any of his classes, and that the ones on campus play specialized roles.

"They're all on scholarships or playing sports," Lathrop said. When asked to clarify the statement he said "look around."

Junior Tosha Marisett said Lathrop's statement was simply "ignorant."

"The people who have scholarships and who play sports at UNO work hard and have earned them," she said. However, she agrees that UNO is not very diverse in its population.

"There are hardly any minorities here," she said. "I would say black people make up about 5 to 10 percent of the population."

In fact, the numbers are even less. According to the 2005-2006 Student Profile, African Americans make up 5.6 percent of UNO's undergraduate student

population. Hispanic students make up 3.3 percent, Asian Americans make up 2.7 percent, Native Americans make up .5 percent, international students make up 2.4 percent and Caucasians make up 82.1 percent.

Marisett said the small number of minority students at UNO is mostly due to Omaha's population, and isn't necessarily a bad thing.

"The people who are here are going to graduate and get degrees," she said. "And that's a good thing."

However, as she walked down the hallway in the Arts and Sciences building, she paused and peered inside a classroom full of students. "You see that?" she said, referring to the amount of African American students sitting in the classroom. "Two."

To vote or not to vote: Outcome of election could rest on students' decision

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You've seen the ads, you've heard the reasons and you may have even sported a button or two, but today it's finally here: Election Day.

In the same way costumes and candy always follow Halloween, there are stories every year about the low turnout of voters. However, the story within the story is that college-aged adults are consistently the smallest demographic of voters.

Cody Farrens, president of the UNO College Democrats, said that the statistic is one that has always confused him.

"We always sit around and talk about why nobody listens to us, why nobody's worried about tuition rates or whatever the case may be," he said. "The reason is because the people that are directly affected by those things don't vote."

The problems with voter turnout could be even worse this year because 2006 is a mid-term election, where there is no high-profile presidential race.

Scott Strain, chair of the UNO College Republicans, said that even though the presidency isn't being voted on this election, this year's election is still important to students.

"This mid-term election has a huge impact, locally and nationally," Strain explained. "With congressional and presidential approval down, incumbents are vulnerable. This means Nebraskan voters have a huge impact in the way Congress will look in January."

As for the cause of the consistently low turnout of college-aged voters, both Farrens and Strain cited apathy as the main reason why turnout is so low among young adults.

"New voters are young and have other things on their mind, like college, the workforce, partying and enjoying their new freedom from their parents," Strain said. "Younger voters also do not feel the impact of the government as much as older voters and families do."

Farrens agrees with Strain, but said that politicians will have to pay attention to issues important to students if they make their voices heard.

"I think it's up to us to break that cycle,"

Farrens said. "I don't think [politicians] are going to magically start paying attention to us. I think it's up to us to make them listen."

One of the potential roadblocks to higher voter turnout this year is the amount of negative campaigning that has gone on between candidates nationwide. Barbara Pickering, assistant professor of communication at UNO, has done research in the area of political communication. She said that even though negative advertising has become the standard, people shouldn't allow it to turn them off from voting completely.

"What keeps people from voting is they think 'If I'm not going to vote for the whole package, the whole ticket or the whole set of issues, then I won't vote at all,'" she said. "Whereas you can still make a difference on those single issues."

Pickering explained that common misconceptions that first-time voters often have are that you have to fill in an entire ballot or that their vote doesn't make a difference, but neither is true. She explained that in local elections, if enough young adults voted, the effect would be dramatic.

"If you had a citizen group who went out and campaigned and worked for a particular candidate for state legislature or for the Board of Regents, which are those issues where they'll have a real direct impact on [students], it could make the difference," Pickering said.

Farrens said that potential for change is probably the most important reason for students to make an effort to go out and vote this year.

"If the youth can get together and decide that we're going to demand that tuition rates go down, that we're going to demand everybody gets a right to education, that's a bloc of votes that is going to swing an election," he said. "And if we can organize and mobilize that group of people, we really do have a voice."

Strain agreed that students need to start taking an active role in politics, locally as well as nationally.

"Once students consistently vote in large percentages," he said, "politicians will take notice and cater to the things important to us."

Whatever your political stance, Pickering said, participation is the most important issue on Election Day.

"Be educated," she said. "Go vote."

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Brandon Scero slips the puck past University of Alaska goalie Wylie Rodgers for his second goal to give the Mavericks a 5-5 tie during Friday's game.

photo by Michelle Bishop

Alaska's Greentree helps carry Nanooks to three-point weekend against Mavs hockey

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To paraphrase the line from *Romeo and Juliet*, a team by any other name is just as tough to beat. Their name might have changed, but the now-titled "University of Alaska," Nanooks were once again a thorn in the side of the Maverick hockey team, holding UNO to a one-point weekend at home.

Even with 80 shots and eight goals in two games, UNO's offense was overshadowed by a seven-point weekend from Alaska's leading scorer, Kyle Greentree.

"He's a big-time goal scorer with a bomb," said Coach Mike Kemp. "It's no surprise when Kyle Greentree scores a goal." The impact of the junior forward was felt early on Friday night when he was able to tap a goal underneath the pads of goaltender Jerad Kaufmann to open the scoring at 8:28. UNO responded two minutes later with a goal by defenseman Eddie Del Grosso, but a succession of penalties

gave Greentree and Alaska's power play unit a two-man advantage for the last four minutes of the first period. The forward was able to knock in another two goals at 18:02 and 19:32 to earn a hat trick and put the Mavericks down by two goals going in to the second period.

Brandon Scero helped the team battle back with a goal at 3:38 in the second period, but Alaska's Curtis Fraser was able to wrap the puck around the net 15 seconds later to keep the lead at two goals. At that point, Kaufmann was replaced for the second time by freshman goaltender Jeremie Dupont. Sophomore forward Dan Charleston scored twice later that same period, once shorthanded and once on the power play, to tie the game at four goals. At that point, Alaska pulled their goaltender, freshman Chad Johnson, in favor of the sophomore Wylie Rodgers.

The game stayed tied until Alaska took the lead again at 14:41 of the third when Darcy Campbell scored from

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Seniors spur volleyball team to sweep over St. Cloud

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

On a UNO volleyball team with more than half the roster made up of freshmen, senior leadership is a valuable commodity.

Luckily for the Mavs, in Christina Reicks and Stacie Wemhoff, they have two of the best in the North Central Conference.

In the final home match of their careers, Reicks and Wemhoff dug deep and led the 17th-ranked Mavericks to a 3-0 win over St. Cloud State Saturday night.

Despite the sweep, the last-place Huskies kept the match close and made the Mavericks earn every point they got.

After rolling to a 30-22 win in the first game, the Mavs built an early seven-point lead in the second game and seemed poised to make short work of St. Cloud. But errors and an aggressive Huskie blocking game put UNO on its heels and down three points late in the set. A pair of kills from Carlie Christensen helped the Mavericks regain the lead and pull out a 30-26 win.

With 16 ties and nine lead changes, the third game was a nail-biter right from the start. Neither team held more than a two-point advantage until late in the game when the Mavs picked up a couple of crucial blocks and St. Cloud committed three straight errors to help UNO to another 30-26 victory.

Even though they weren't at the top of their game, Coach Rose Shires said the win was a testament to the determination of her players.

"They stayed focused," she said. "They had to

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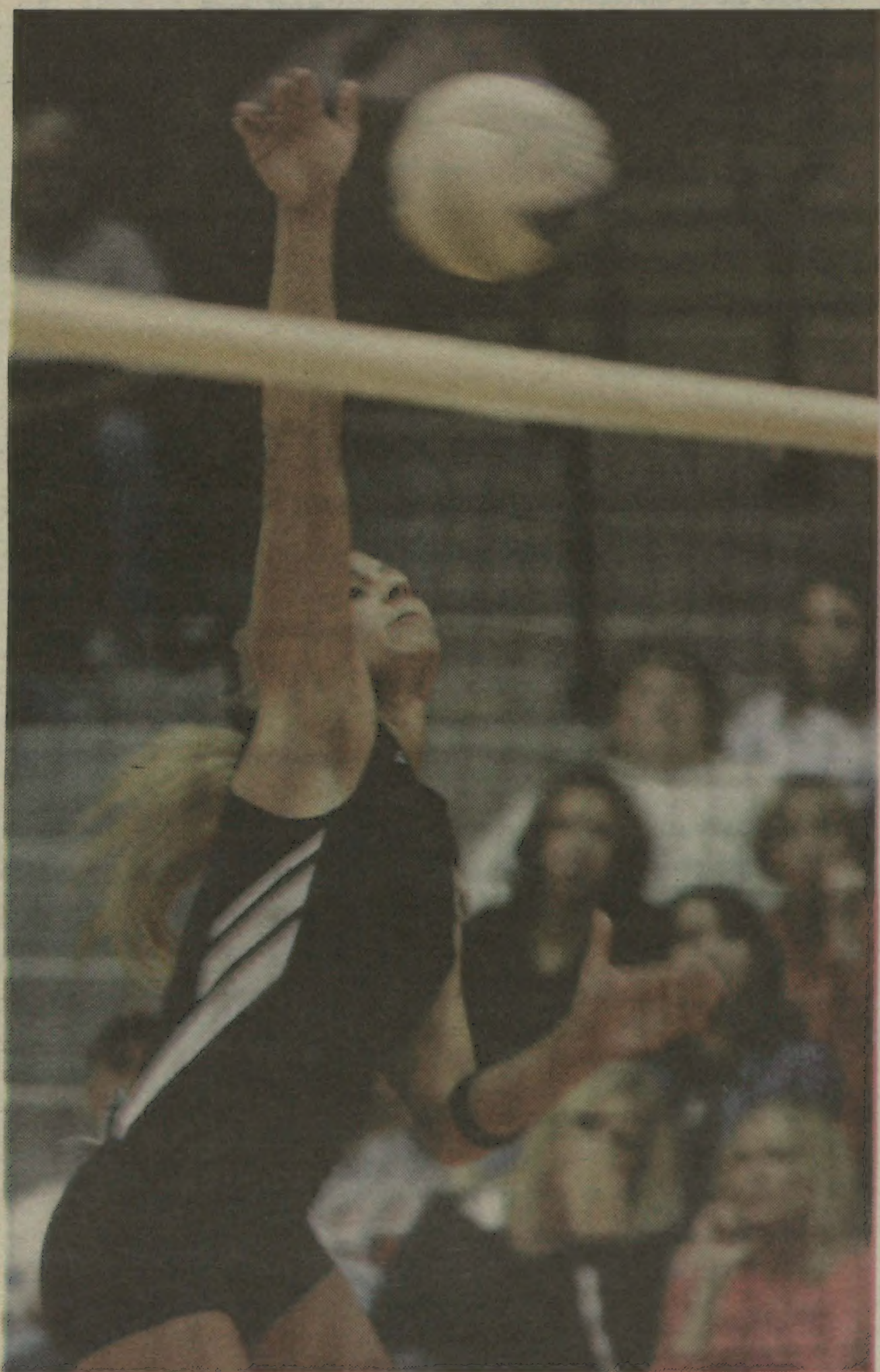


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Christina Reicks connects on one of her 19 kills on the night. Reicks and the Mavs swept St. Cloud 3-0 Saturday to finish the season 21-6 and with 6 straight wins.

45-28 loss to USD drops Mavs to tie for NCC lead

PATRICK DOTY
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The UNO football team, which took advantage of two key turnovers to squeeze a win last week, found themselves on the opposite side of the coin Saturday.

The 7th-ranked Mavericks struggled to contain South Dakota's passing game and lost the ball twice in the fourth quarter to give the No. 20 Coyotes a 45-28 win in USD's DakotaDome.

The upset was the Mavs' first in the North Central Conference this season and dropped them into a three-way tie for first place with USD and North Dakota.

USD's first three touchdowns came from long drives of 92, 72 and 99 yards. They used big plays to make this happen, with a 45-yard pass to Jordan Murphy on the first drive, a 44-yard pass to Alex Perkowski in the second and a 54-yard rush by Travis Mlady to cap the 99-yard drive.

The Mavs' defense held on early, with a Randy Kush interception late in the first quarter deep in Coyote territory to set up an easy touchdown to tie the game at 7-7.

Two unanswered USD touchdowns followed, but quarterback Zach Miller kept some momentum by leading a 71-yard touchdown drive with only 28.3 seconds remaining in the first half. The score came off a five-yard pass to Troy Kush.

Early in the third quarter, a blocked USD punt by Kenny Onatolu led to a Maverick recovery and 28-yard touchdown run by Trent Lyons. The Coyotes answered quickly with another touchdown, this time a 36-yard rush by running back Stefan Logan.

Refusing to surrender, Maverick running back Kyle Kasperbauer's 31-yard run led to another touchdown, closing the gap to 35-28.

Despite this effort, two late turnovers killed any chance of a Maverick rally. A fumbled pitch to Kasperbauer and an interception led to a USD touchdown and field goal, giving the Coyotes a 45-28 win.

The Mavericks will attempt to bounce back Saturday at 1 p.m. against NCC foe Central Washington in their final home game of the season at Caniglia Field.

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and the university.

After the layoffs of five athletic department employees in May, it was revealed that the department had been operating at a \$1 million deficit each of the last two years and that former Chancellor Nancy Belck had been using other university funds to support it.

Later in the summer, former Vice Chancellor Jim Buck was found to have spent athletic department funds, including booster money, on trips, golf outings and satellite radio subscriptions.

Both Belck and Buck eventually resigned.

"It's awfully reassuring for someone like Bob and Marcia to still have that type of passion left in the program to want to make an impact this way and to do it at a time when there has been such controversy," Herbst said. "I'm just awe-inspired by what they've done."

Interim Chancellor John Christensen agreed with Herbst, and said he feels the gift shows that UNO is on-track with implementing solutions for problems uncovered this summer.

"I think it's a fantastic gift at a very important time," Christensen said. "We have taken care of the internal controls such that people feel comfortable reinvesting in the university."

Kruger originally wished for the pledge to remain anonymous, but knew the publicity would be good for UNO and agreed to the announcement.

Above all, though, he just wants to see the program healthy again.

"I hope the athletic department gets back on track, and I hope we got it started on the right track," said Kruger.

News Editor Scott Stewart contributed to this article.

Soccer team remains undefeated with shootout win over Washburn

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

If Coach Don Klosterman's hair weren't already white, it surely would have been after this game.

Beth McGill scored her second goal with 58 seconds left in regulation to tie the score and force overtime play. Goalkeeper Ellen Petersen made two deflections in the final shootout to help the No. 1-ranked UNO soccer team fend off Washburn and capture the NCAA II Central Regional tournament Sunday at Ak-Sar-Ben Field.

"Oh, man, I have never been involved in a game like that where we're looking at the clock and watching that thing tick

down and thinking, 'are we going to end our season right now?'" said Klosterman.

The win means the Mavericks will move on to the NCAA Division II Quarterfinals against Grand Valley State next Saturday in their bid to repeat as national champions.

With time running out in the game, though, it looked like the Mavs might be staying home this year.

Washburn was ahead 2-1 and controlling the game when Ali Portell took a shot that caromed off the top bar and caused a scramble in front of the net. McGill got a toe on the ball and punched it into the net, sending the packed crowd of Maverick faithful to their feet.

Despite the clock winding down, McGill was confident UNO could score if they could put the pressure on.

"I just knew we had to get it down in the box and knew it couldn't go out, we just had to get it down there," she said.

After the teams played to a scoreless tie through two overtime periods, it was up to Petersen to keep the Mavericks' season alive.

On the first shot by Washburn's Jessica Mainz, who had scored the first goal of the game, Petersen made a diving save to the right to give UNO an early advantage.

"I thought I knew for sure when she went up there which way she was going, so I was like, 'get this one, get this one,' and I got it and that helped me so much," said Petersen.

McGill lined up for the Mavs first shot and drilled it into the net past goalie Jenna Hatlestad for a 1-0 lead.

Washburn's Meagan Horvath then scored past Petersen, but Brandi Beale matched her with a goal. Washburn's Lisa Fahey sent the next shot over the crossbar, but Hatlestad denied Portell on her attempt.

Then Petersen made her second save, a diving stop near the right post and UNO sophomore Tara Wegehaupt followed with a goal to give UNO the 3-1 edge.

After the final shot hit the back of the net, the whole team ran from midfield and mobbed Wegehaupt and Petersen in front of the goal as chants of "UNO, UNO" erupted from the stands.

Klosterman said that despite the nerve-rattling nature of the game, his faith in his athletes never wavered.

"It's easy for me to say I never give up on these guys, but, you know, that's the truth," he said.

To Petersen, though, the game was a reminder that the Mavs have their work cut out for them if they're going to pick up a second straight title.

"It's not going to be a walk in the park, everyone's out to get us and it's going to be a battle," Petersen said. "I think it kind of opened our eyes."

Erin Fosnaugh (left) leaps onto her teammates after Sunday's shootout win over Washburn. The Mavs will head to Grand Valley State for the NCAA II Quarterfinals Nov. 11.



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Jagshemash! Borat film great for longtime fans, glorious for new fans



British comedian Sasha Baron Cohen stars as a crass and bumbling television reporter from the central Asian nation of Kazakhstan much to the dismay of Kazakh officials.

ANDREW CUMBEE
A & L EDITOR

Jagshemash. My name Cumbee. I like you. You read my *Borat* review?

First of all, let me apologize for that cheap attempt to suck you in. I'm shameless and will steal jokes if I have to. So sorry.

Anyway, the long awaited *Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan* was

released over the weekend to almost unheard of critical acclaim. Many said that it was the funniest movie in years. A few even said it was the funniest of all time. So is that true? Does *Borat* actually live up to the hype?

Well, yes and no. The character of Borat, created and played by British comedian Sasha Baron Cohen, is hysterical. It's one of the funniest and most original things anyone has ever done.

For those that still haven't heard of Borat, he's a fictional character interacting

with real people under the guise of making documentaries for his native Kazakhstan to learn about American life. What's great is that it's so believable. Borat shows how stupid we, as a culture, are to accept his eccentricities just because he's foreign. At the same time we get to laugh at the awkward situations and conversations that only Borat can get into.

It's a basic concept that is always hysterical when it's kept new. But that's where my main complaint about *Borat*

comes from. It's not that new. Being a fan of "Da Ali G Show" from HBO a few years ago, I've seen a lot of Borat. And while the situations are new in the movie, the shtick is still the same. There's no denying, though, it is a good shtick to have if you are going to reuse a shtick.

A lot of the movie was spoiled going in, too. We all witnessed the over-promotion of the film in the last couple of weeks. With a special on Comedy Central, opening "Saturday Night Live" and interviews on everything from CNN to "The Daily Show," Borat was everywhere. And then there's the film's trailer, which is taken right from the opening of the film, with clips from later in the movie cut in. If you saw all or any of these, you've seen a lot of the movie already.

But don't get me wrong. While I'm disappointed that I knew too much about the movie going in, I still got some belly laughs out of it. Borat is hilarious and the movie is set up perfectly. Borat is sent to New York in the beginning to make a documentary but when he sees "Baywatch," he falls madly in love with Pamela Anderson and sets off for California with his film's producer. Along the way, they still make their movie and run into numerous problems.

The film plays like a Hollywood drama as we watch Borat's highs and lows in his quest for love. There really are too many highlights to point out here and I don't want to be too specific, but personal favorites range from riding around with a bear in an ice cream truck to public indecency to the high society dinner where Borat goes a little too far.

All in all, if you have never seen Borat before, the movie *Borat* is a must. It's something never seen by the masses before. For you, this will be a classic. For those who have seen "Da Ali G Show," though, you'll still want to see the movie. You'll just wish for more of the show.

Grade: B

History lesson without arduous required tests

WWW with



Eric Sobczak

Thank goodness for viral video. Without it, precious procrastination time would be wasted on inferior distractions like Solitaire, Minesweeper or an all-day "Next" marathon on MTV. Even though we hate it and have already seen every episode yet, we watch the marathon anyway. It doesn't even need to be "Next" -- any other MTV show that is equally as

terrible would suffice.

As a side note, I don't really know how to use semicolons... or commas. "I hope we can fix that in editing," I say to the camera that isn't actually there, as I don't even have a firm grasp on reality. But I've got MAV MOJO... so I take life by the horns. And then I ask life why it has horns.

But this isn't about horns or any mojo to speak of. We're talking about the Internet, and obviously that won't ever be cool, right? OK, go check your MySpace. But in the meantime, check out some of the first online videos to become popular virally.

Short videos have been circulating the web well before YouTube was even a stain on PayPal's pants, and someone once said, "to understand something, you must understand its past." I doubt I am even quoting accurately. But that's not the point of this. Yet at this point I don't know what is.

Dancing Baby

This is the first viral video that I can think of, and for the purposes of this article, it was the first video in the existence of the Internet to ever gain popularity through e-mail and other electronic distribution. Fact.

It was a short video of a 3-D computer-animated baby dancing around, doing the cha-cha. You might have even seen it on "Ally McBeal," or recently on VH1's "I Love the '90s" and "Best Week Ever."

I hate that baby. I don't even know why. Maybe because I "didn't get it," but I still hate it. However, it still deserves the title of "First Viral Video Ever," which I am

giving it. I still hate it though.

Here's the time machine set to 1997:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2W4EBoQmWPs>

And for more information, check out the originator's Web site:
<http://dancing-baby.net/>

Super Friends Wassup

This clip was a spin off of the widely popular

and completely hilarious Budweiser "Wassup" commercial from around the turn of the century, which is, in my opinion, one of the greatest commercials of all time. However, in the clip I am talking about, name-brand superheroes are the ones participating in the dialogue. The creation of this video was truly inspired and the effort put forth can be seen in the flawless editing, adding more credibility and humor to the video mash-up. There are many imitator videos floating around YouTube, but none come close to the Super Friends. And nothing can even hold a candle to the original commercial. Wasssss suuuuuupppppppppp?

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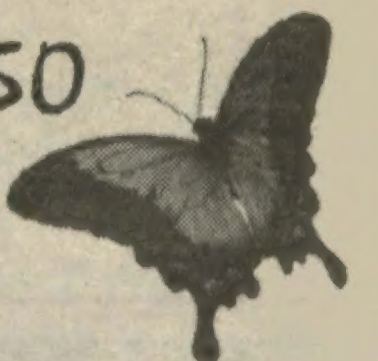
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BRAZIL – the philosophy of velocity

I'll admit it; I'm a sucker for strange music. And does it really get much stranger than a track solely of a click-clacking typewriter with forlorn piano in the background?

That track was my first introduction to Brazil, and their CD, the philosophy of velocity.

I definitely got into the CD, digging the interesting and varied guitar work, especially when it's being paired with different instruments, the acoustic guitar work is a treat, as is the classical piano.

This CD's strongest point is the music itself, the lyrics and vocals aren't anything you haven't heard before, but the way the music warps itself around your mind a few times right before it settles in the pit of your stomach definitely warrants a listen.



Deftones - Saturday Night Wrist

There's a reason why the Deftones have been around for so long, and their newest CD is proof that they'll probably be around for a lot longer.

Imagine a sound that's as vulnerable as Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails, but with the Deftones own special flair for experimental music, and you'd have Saturday Night Wrist.

The majority of the tracks are so well done that they're perfect musical rollercoasters. I was rarely taken out of the experience, the vocals fit perfectly with the trance inducing music, especially on my personal favorites, "Hole In the Earth" and "Rats! Rats! Rats!"

It's not something that I'd listen to non-stop, but it would certainly get a few spins on my CD player.

The whole sound of the disc wasn't as different or innovative as I hoped, but it certainly is a good album that the Deftones should be proud of.



My Chemical Romance - The Black Parade

Their sound may have changed since the last time I heard them, but their most recent CD still doesn't have enough to make me join the parade.

My Chemical Romance's newest CD, "The Black Parade" will certainly attract their old fans, but the tracks are all full of repetitive guitar riffs, all trying to attain rock ballad status, but falling short.

The niche that My Chemical Romance has filled is getting predictable and unimpressive. The lead singer's slur/drawl gets annoying faster than their repetitious bass drum beat.

However, the band certainly gets kudos or weird points for the CD design, which includes a foldout parade of WWI soldiers, skeletons, hospital runaways and more.

But is this a parade worth falling in line with? Only if you like the same float, time after time again.

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Battle royale: Blockbuster vs. Netflix

PAMELA BOUTERSE
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to renting movies, several companies have made it as easy as ordering movies online, receiving the several chosen movies in the mail and returning them by simply using a prepaid envelope whenever the customer chooses. This system is known as simple and easy to use, but figuring out which company is the best at using this system may not be as simple.

Two of the major companies that provide this service are Blockbuster and Netflix.

Blockbuster originally started as a rental store and has expanded to include online rentals as well. Through the Blockbuster Web site, customers are allowed to choose from over 60,000 DVD movie titles. The customer is also provided with user ratings, top rental lists and personalized recommendations when choosing movies.

The company offers several plans for its customers that include renting one movie at a time with unlimited rentals per month, as well as two free in-store coupons per month for \$9.99 a month; two movies at a time with unlimited rentals per month, including one in-store coupon per week for \$14.99 a month; and three unlimited rentals for \$17.99 a month. Blockbuster offers a two-week free trial for all plans.

Since the customer's plan limits how many DVDs they are allowed to rent per month, multi-disc sets are separated so that each disc is counted as a separate rental. Examples of this include bonus discs,

television shows, television miniseries and movie box sets. Movies that are originally intended to be seen in their entirety and require two discs to complete viewing are considered exceptions and are counted as one rental.

Blockbuster ships the rentals Monday through Friday with free shipping both ways. The customer is allowed to keep the movies as long as needed, as there are no late fees. The company's Web site offers an online option for cancellation, but does continue membership for 15 days after the customer's billing cycle. This is due to the customer paying for each month in advance. All movies must be returned within 10 days after the account has become inactive.

Senior Scott Hynek chose Blockbuster over other online companies. "What I like about Blockbuster Online is that it only takes about two or three days to receive a new DVD from your online list," said Hynek. "Though, the service is only worth it if you watch the DVDs on a daily or weekly basis."

Blockbuster's Web site offers an extensive FAQ section that answers over 200 questions presented by customers and is easy to use. The coupons that come with certain plans may also prove useful for those who use Blockbuster stores to rent movies as well as the online service.

Netflix was founded in 1999 solely as an online DVD movie-rental service. The company offers its customers more than

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Initiative 423 is bad for NU students

Staff Editorial

There's been a lot of talk about Initiative 423, the state spending-cap measure, and a lot of speculation about its possible consequences. However, one result seems to be crystal clear: Initiative 423 is a terrible idea for the students of the University of Nebraska.

If the measure passes today, there seems to be no alternative but a mixture of tuition increases and program decreases. If the measure passes, students lose. Period.

Advocates of the spending lid object to this conclusion, saying it's the job of the Board of Regents and NU President James B. Milliken to work with the money they're provided. Mike Groene, co-sponsor of the initiative, told the *Gateway* that tuition wouldn't be raised "if we have good management at the University of Nebraska."

This is an absurd position, though. After all, there's only so much money that can be squeezed from a budget, even with the most brilliant and dedicated leadership. Sooner or later programs will be cut and faculty will be

lost. Sooner or later, tuition will rise sharply.

How else could the inevitable budget shortfalls be solved?

This exact situation happened at the Colorado State University, where one of our staff members attended before transferring to UNO. In Colorado, the Taxpayers' Bill of Rights was prohibiting growth and threatening to turn the state university system into the first non-taxpayer-supported university system in the country. There is no question that TABOR, a measure similar to Initiative 423, hurt Colorado's public education system; how can Nebraskans pretend it will be different here?

When you vote today, pretend you're presented with the following choice instead: "A vote FOR will increase tuition and reduce programs throughout University of Nebraska. A vote AGAINST will not amend the Nebraska Constitution to impose such changes."

Which circle would you fill in?

"You Decide 2006?" It's not over yet...

As Far As I'm Concerned



Matthew Lytle

Sick of all of this "You Decide 2006?" If there were a snap poll asking that question, odds are a vast majority of people would say, "Yes."

Unfortunately, as someone once said, "You ain't seen nothing yet."

Why? Well, quite simply, because November 8th officially begins... "You Decide 2008," or "Who Wants to be President of the United States?" I just hope we can get Regis Philbin for this.

Yep, the campaign stuff's going to get worse, folks, namely because the Presidency's an open seat in 2008, and everybody's going to want in on it. If you want a mental image, just imagine two rings of about 10 people each playing musical chairs... with only one chair. Then, cut the music. That's a best guess how 2008, and to some candidates, 2007, is going to be.

This has already happened, folks. Californian Rep. Duncan Hunter announced on Halloween his bid for the Oval Office. Hmm, so he went trick-or-treating as the next American President? Nah, he would have done better if he went as something else.

But Hunter's announcement scares me, but not in the sense of him actually becoming President. What really scares me is the possibility that after the last ballot is

counted and we know who will get the keys to the offices for each Majority Leader's office, we're going to get non-stop bulletins of one person or another throwing their political hat into the ring. There's probably going to be so many hats in that ring, you could start your own hat store, and make a financial killing while you're at it.

Look, if you really want to run for office, do every one of us a favor: Wait a year before you announce your candidacy. Give the voting public time to cleanse themselves of the mud. Give us this one slight vacation from the ads and the grandstanding.

Let us celebrate Christmas, Thanksgiving and/or any other holidays that we still have left to celebrate this year. And then, a year from now, once we've stuffed ourselves with Thanksgiving dinner, announce your candidacy. We'll be so tired after digesting all of that food, we wouldn't be able to digest you tossing your hat.

In two years, what we faced during this election's going to seem like a pleasure cruise. Trust me. And don't forget, since we're going to have way more than two candidates for each party, the Primary elections are going to be something to a magnitude we've never seen before.

You know, now that I think about it, someone should get the rights to this slugfest. It'll become the newest reality TV show out there. We can call it "100 vs. 100: The Road to the White House," and getting Regis Philbin, Howie Mandel or Bob Saget to host it. If you really wanted to see a bunch of people in a fistfight, though, you'd be better off renting "Fight Club."

I'm Matthew Lytle, I approve this message, and that's as far as I'm concerned. (I always wanted to say that.)

Voting, commitment first steps in healing political illness, system

Are you sick of politics yet?

I don't mean annoyed, frustrated or overwhelmed. I mean sick in your stomach; so full of cheap lies that you might accidentally spew a few on an unsuspecting bystander.

That's the kind of illness I am talking about when I say I'm sick of politics.

After all, so far this weekend I have read opinion pieces by men I don't respect. I have interviewed people I don't like. I have read news stories that made me disgusted. I have written things that have left feeling upset.

These activities have left me with a nasty, bitter aftertaste that just won't go away. It seems that the more I take interest in politics, the further down it tries to bring me.

Perhaps Socrates was correct to avoid the Athenian Assembly. Perhaps this is why so many people have decided to become politically apathetic rather than seek to reform a perpetually broken machine.

However, the sicker of politics I become, the more I realize the

importance of fighting it. The more important it feels to cut through not just the "spin" but the brazen, evil, calculated lies of so many politicians.

The first step is going to the polls today and voting against the liars in office, the liars who want office and the cleverly worded tricks in some of the ballot measures.

But, this first step is only a baby step. The only way any real change is going to happen is if we, the citizens, demand it.

After you go to the polls, commit yourself to writing letters to the editor and to your representatives. Commit yourself to calling out lies when you hear them. Commit yourself to staying informed.

Above all else, commit yourself to demanding nothing less than an honest politician.

Of course, if you do that, I would also suggest committing yourself to buying a bar of chocolate for this evening. Because somehow, I don't believe we're going to get much honesty into office this year.

Here's hoping, though.

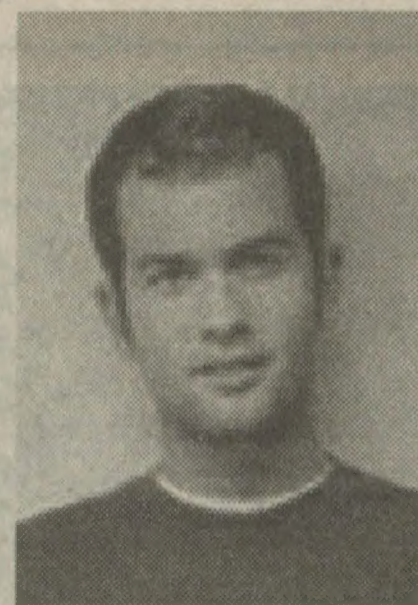
Sinister Slant



Scott Stewart

Network of gay Christians say what?

How Typical



Michael McManus

First off, I would like to make a confession. I, Mike McManus, am a loser. With that said, I would like to share with you all an odd obsession/addiction that has recently come into

my life. This addiction is not inhaled, nor is it consumed. I get my fix through private messages, public comments and daily readings. This obsession is none other than, the Gay Christian Network.

This network of gay Christians is a Web site that I stumbled upon a few weeks ago. I was having one of my normal "I'm depressed and lonely because I'm gay and living in Nebraska" kind of moods, when I searched "gay Christian" in the Google search bar. I was on a mission to find others like myself, I went in with doubts, but came out with more than I thought possible.

I browsed through the top matches on Google, passing over two gay pornography sites of course, and opened the Gay Christian Network site. I was pretty surprised. The home page was very welcoming. The welcome message reads: "The Gay Christian Network is a nonprofit ministry serving Christians who happen to be lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender. We also work with pastors, family members, and others who want to understand the issues from a Christ-centered perspective."

Upon further investigation, I discovered that this site does exactly what it says. I set up a profile and started reading through the

message boards. I was overwhelmed, and without sounding like a complete lunatic, I actually became somewhat emotional. I began reading over some of the member's profiles; it was as if I was reading my life story. I was so used to thinking that I was the "only one out there" that I guess I never actually believed that other gay Christians truly existed. I suppose I was very wrong.

I began reading into more of the profiles and eventually posted my first comment. It was a simple introduction. Within minutes, I got my first responses. Everyone was so excited that I joined GCN. Prayers were already coming my way and everyone commented on how they could relate to my story. It was a crazy feeling, within minutes I felt as if I had known some of these guys for years, when in reality, we had exchanged nothing more than simple introductions.

I've been active on the site for about two weeks now and its mind boggling to think about some of the relationships I have already created. I feel like I can be myself, without the fear of shame or frowns when I share my concerns and thoughts.

I've been on a few gay message boards in the past, but have always felt more depressed once I read what people were writing about. Do the guys out there honestly think that asking me how big my wang is will catch my attention?

GCN has definitely revived my hope in the gay community, but more than anything, it's revived my faith. It's so easy to become discouraged and doubtful in something that brings you so much pain, but the members of GCN have reminded me of the person I once was. I feel like I am once again on the right path, and for that I am thankful.

The site can be found at gaychristian.net. Anyone, of any sexuality can join. I encourage you to give it a try.

Who would have thought, a network of gay Christians.

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photo by Michelle Bishop

Jeremie Dupont holds on for the save as Alaska's Kyle Jones watches for a rebound during Friday's game.

just outside the face-off circle up and over Dupont's shoulder.

However, the Mavs were able to hold on and forge a tie after Scero scored on the power play with 1:22 left in the game. "It's been so typical of how these games have gone," Kemp said, referring to Friday's game. "It's almost frightening."

Kemp's fears were realized again on Saturday night. After UNO scored twice and limited Alaska to only three shots on goal in the first period, Greentree opened the second period scoring when he beat a lone Maverick defenseman on a shorthanded goal. Alaska scored a second shorthanded goal only a minute later when an uncontrolled rebound was knocked in

by Braden Walls.

UNO was poised to end the period up one goal after Bryan Marshall scored his second goal of the night at 12:15 in the second, but, with under a minute left in the game, Curtis Fraser took advantage of an empty right side of the net and knocked in another rolling rebound.

The Nanooks notched the game-winning goal at 8:41 of the third period when Tyler Eckford, after a pass from Greentree, scored up high on Dupont during a five-on-three power play. The goal was particularly frustrating because both of Alaska's short-handed goals came during and shortly after a five-on-three opportunity for the Mavericks.

"We had control of the game," said Marshall. "Things were going good, we were working hard and then a couple breakdowns in those 52 seconds and then two shorties, and then all of a sudden it's a whole different ball game." With the team facing an upcoming road slog against Michigan and Miami-Ohio, Kemp was quick to put a positive spin on the weekend.

"Obviously this was a tough series for us, we have a great rivalry with UA and it really teaches us how we have to compete for 60 minutes," he said. "Those are the things you've got to learn from to grow as a program."

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come back in this match, they had to stay ahead, they had to do a lot of fighting and they did a good job with it."

Wemhoff said the challenge was a wake-up call for UNO and a good motivator for the post-season.

"They gave a good fight for us and we needed that," Wemhoff said. "I think we rolled a little easy the last couple games, so we needed a little competition before we headed to the big regional tournament."

Reicks finished the match with a team-high 19 kills, including seven in the back-and-forth third game. Christensen and freshman Ellen Thommes each contributed 11 kills to the Maverick effort. Wemhoff led the defense with 15 digs.

The victory was the sixth straight for UNO and provided a good boost

for the young team heading into the regional tournament.

"It's always good to go out strong," said Reicks. "We have a pretty good momentum going into the NCAA."

Still, the realization that her collegiate career was coming to an end made Saturday morning an emotional time for Wemhoff.

"I was a little nervous and woke up and this was it, you know, this was home and goodbye," she said.

To Shires, though, her senior athletes' legacy will be the pride they instilled in their young teammates.

"I think the two of them stood up and did a great job this entire year," Shires said. "They were aggressive, they led by example and they showed the younger players what being a UNO volleyball player was about and what this team is about."

From **DVD RENTALS**: Page 9

65,000 movie titles to choose from, along with movie recommendations based on member reviews, critic reviews, top rented lists and special collections.

Customers choose from six different plans depending on their needs. The plans include the following: one movie at a time with a limit of two per month at \$5.99, one movie at a time with unlimited rentals per month at \$9.99, two movies rented at a time with a limit of four per month at \$11.99, two movies at a time with unlimited rentals per month at \$14.99, three movies at a time with unlimited rentals per month at \$17.99 and four movies rented at a time with unlimited rentals per month at \$23.99. The variety of plans offer the customer more options than Blockbuster, but does not include coupons for in-store rentals.

The customer is allowed to keep each movie with no late fees and the company provides free shipping both ways. Netflix offers a two-week free trial for all plans. The company allows its customers to cancel the membership online at anytime without

cancellation fees.

Netflix's Web site is easy to use, but does not provide the customer with as many answers online as the Blockbuster Web site. Customers cannot easily find the procedure of multiple disc sets or lost packages unless they call the toll-free number provided on the site.

Graduate student Jason Blohm has been using Netflix for a year and chose the company because of its convenience. He described his favorite thing about Netflix as being able to choose movies online, but that often times his busy schedule does not allow him time to see a lot of movies.

Overall, Blockbuster and Netflix both offer their customers options that are very similar, but with differences that may prove more useful depending on the customer. Blockbuster seems better for those that also use local stores for renting by providing the customer with in-store coupons, while Netflix offers a bigger variety of plans that may include a more convenient plan for the customer.

From **DAY OF THE DEAD**: Page 3

Fine Arts Building. Arbelaez, also the editor of the Journal of Latino/Latin American Studies, said "Learning about different cultures and the beliefs and traditions of 30 million Mexicans that live in the U.S." is the most beneficial part of the celebration.

According to dayofthedead.com Day of the Dead, or Dios Los Muertos, is a tradition that celebrates the dead souls returning to join the living. The modern celebration is a combination of pre-Columbian and Christian traditions that date back over 500 years. It is celebrated on Nov. 1 and is one of the most significant holidays throughout Mexico and Central America. The celebration usually consists of families

visiting a deceased loved one's grave and constructing an altar at home.

OLLAS provided bread of the dead, or pan de muerto, an egg-batter round bread that is made only for Day of the Dead and traditional Mexican hot chocolate, chocolate made without milk. Arbelaez said Mexicans didn't use milk because they didn't have cattle.

OLLAS hosted many events already this semester, most recently a workshop that included constructing the altar and mask painting. Other OLLAS events this semester included a film festival, the Colombian Mobile Consulate in Omaha, a Latino parent's conference and a symphonic celebration of Mexico's Independence Day.

From **SOBCZAK**: Page 8

This video isn't as much a part of viral video history as it is one of my favorite viral clips of all time. This video is a news story from the San Francisco/Bay area news station KRON. A loud muffler modification known as a "whistle tip" was causing a disturbance in Oakland neighborhoods. But Bubb-Rubb (with Lil' Sis) was there to give his point of view on the controversy. From a journalistic standpoint the story was well reported and produced, but it's Bubb-Rubb who deserves the Peabody. He steals the show and is the reason this clip is so popular. This video is a **must watch**. "Whoo-Whooooo!"

The Video

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So as it turns out I just ended up writing about two videos I really like and one I hate. I don't even care if you don't watch the dancing baby. But I think that you should at least take less than five minutes to watch the original Wassup video, the Super Friends Wassup Video and the Bubb Rubb Video. You should also vote Eric Sobczak for Senate. "Eric Sobczak - a write-in candidate." Until next time...

From **INITIATIVE 423**: Page 1

tuition rates," Milliken wrote in his first e-mail. "I urge you to review this and consider its implications. In short, the analysis demonstrates that the proposed spending lid could result in sharply higher tuition and reductions in important university programs and services."

The second e-mail was "an opportunity to clarify what the purpose was," Milliken said on Friday. He said his initial response was varied, including one student who called his message "spam," or unsolicited "junk" e-mail.

Milliken went on to say that the "power of the president is greatly overstated," since his second e-mail took more than a week to reach NU students on UNO's campus. Milliken claims to have sent his second message prior to any press coverage of his first e-mail.

"I encourage you to try to understand as much as possible about this subject and make an informed decision," Milliken wrote in the second e-mail. "I repeat my earlier concluding message: I believe there is no issue on the ballot this year that is more important to the future of the University and the State of Nebraska."

Some supporters of Initiative 423, the state spending cap measure, have accused Milliken of overstepping his role and possibly violating the law by sending out the e-mail.

Mike Groene, co-sponsor of the initiative with Americans for Limited Government, told the Lincoln Journal-Star earlier last week that he was exploring possible legal action. He has not met with his lawyer since that time.

"We expect our public employees to not take sides," Groene said in an interview with the Gateway. "He abused the intent of the law."

Groene described the information Milliken provided to students as "slanted towards the result they wanted to find," and claims that students "are the last thing on [Milliken's] mind."

"Mr. Milliken needs to be reminded that he's a public employee," Groene said. "He's just an employee."

Milliken said he sent the e-mails because he felt "an obligation as president" to provide information on the issue to the university community. He characterized his budget analysis to be "fact-based" and appropriate.

"I am charged with the leadership of the university," Milliken said. "I feel pretty good about the response from the students and the faculty."

University officials were provided with a memorandum in June regarding what they can and cannot do regarding Initiative 423, Milliken went on to say. NU General Counsel Richard Wood reviewed both messages before they went out, including removing a few questionable pieces.

John Christensen, interim chancellor of UNO, said he was not aware of any misused university resources regarding the state spending lid, stressing that providing information is "a responsibility of leadership."

"I think providing information versus advocacy are two very different things," Christensen said.

Student Regent Steve Massara agreed with Christensen, adding that he spoke with legal counsel regarding his own involvement with a student press conference sponsored by his fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha, on Nov. 1.

"I'm of his impression that it is his duty as the chief spokesperson of the university to inform," Massara said. "The position paper was based on pretty moderate assumptions."

Massara said the press conference went "moderately well," with roughly 20 students attending for 10 minutes of discussion from himself and College Democrats President Cody Farrens on why students should oppose the initiative.

"It's a hot-button topic for me," Massara said. "It was kind of nice ... to find common ground."

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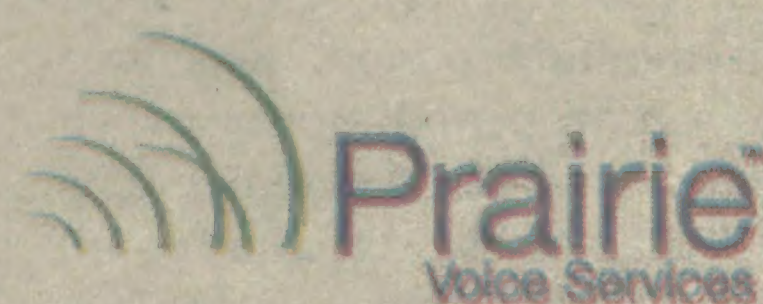
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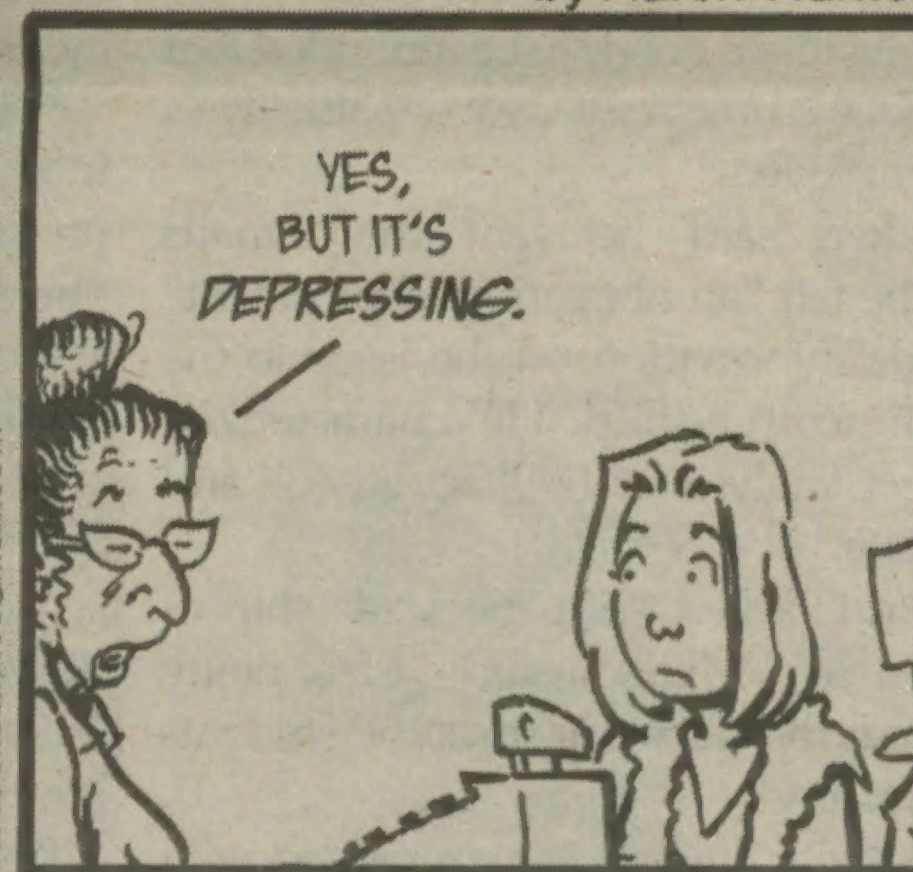
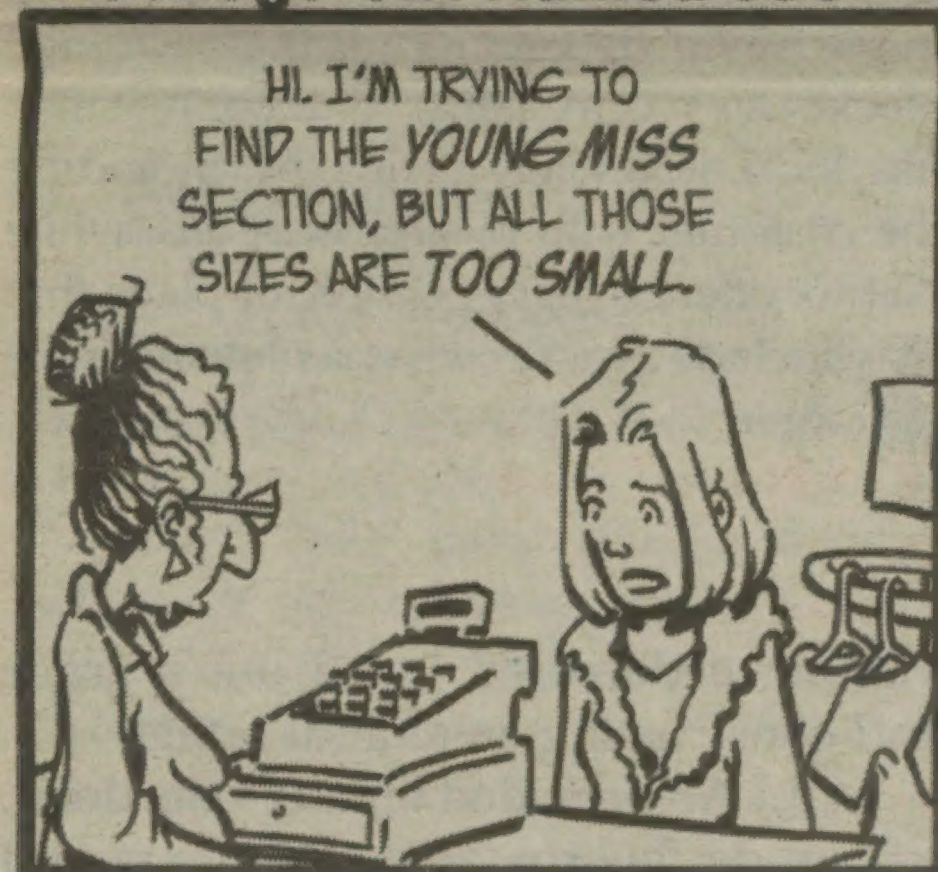
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